

Students will be able to:

- derive mean and variance of sum of the random variables
- find distributions of sums of independent r.v.

Sum of two independent Uniform r.v. on  $(0, 1)$

$$f_{X+Y}(a) = \int_0^1 f_X(a-y) dy = \begin{cases} a & 0 \leq a \leq 1 \\ 2-a & 1 < a < 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Sum of two independent exponentials with the same  $\lambda$  has a gamma distribution
- Sum of two independent gammas with the same  $\lambda$  has a gamma distribution
- Sum of two independent binomials with the same  $p$  has a binomial distribution
- Sum of two independent Poissons has a Poisson distribution
- Sum of two independent normals has a normal distributions where means and variances add up.

*Example* Quiz 6.2 on page 248:

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two independent exponential random variables with expected values  $E(X) = 1/3$  and  $E(Y) = 1/2$ . Find the PDF of  $X + Y$ .

Sum of two independent binomials with the same  $p$  has a binomial distribution

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X + Y = k) &= \sum_{i=0}^n P(X = i, Y = k - i) = \sum_{i=0}^n P(X = i)P(Y = k - i) \\
 &= \sum_{i=\max(0, k-m)}^{\min(n, k)} \binom{n}{i} p^i (1-p)^{n-i} \binom{m}{k-i} p^{k-i} (1-p)^{m-k+i} \\
 &= \binom{n+m}{k} p^k (1-p)^{m+n-k}
 \end{aligned}$$

Sum of two independent Poissons has a Poisson distribution

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X + Y = n) &= \sum_{k=0}^n P(X = k, Y = n - k) = \sum_{k=0}^n P(X = k)P(Y = n - k) \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\nu^{n-k}}{(n-k)!} e^{-\nu} = \frac{(\lambda + \nu)^n}{n!} e^{-(\lambda + \nu)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Students will be able to:

- identify sums of certain independent random variables.